Isabel January 1899

Beloved Sisters in Christ,

cannot tell you how much
your kind letters have comforted me
of late & helping the dear Lord to give me
fresh, and more & more his grace that teaches daughter
our feet to walk in the path of life, and that
his bowels are moved for us in every trying
& to guide us in every emergency
my dear sister I want to be more thorough
to prove this grace, more firmly to rely
upon it. Nothing else can answer my purpose.
but that can, & will. It has helped me up thus far
& has not disappointed me, & my dear friends to think
from the underlying [illegible] me, and shall I mine
hear that the Lord [illegible] me & bear my burden
bear? No, dear sister that is not like our God—
His promises are yea & amen & sure, then
will never fail, & he is not pleased to be calm
& strong. & that he can & will make his strength
perfect in my weakness—

and is she alone — No she will not be alone. I feel that the dear Lord will not leave her comfortless.

Pray much for her dear Sister, and comfort her with your letters. She with Sister S. send much love to all. — Give much love to Grandma & Aunt Mary. Thank Grandpa for his kind letter. We think

Alexandria
May 1833
Rachel

Mrs. Mary Greenwood
Plainfield
Conn.

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I think Dear Mother will be able to write me. I shall with much pleasure answer her letter. Thank) and now dear Sister Mary, & dear Brother Smith do not that a letter will never reach me, unless across the ocean & that it will be in vain to write. Dear friends you cannot conceive my situation & think how heartcheering it will be to receive intelligence, from you, your Colonel Lemuel & beloved Grandma. I feel that I shall never forget or cease to love my dear friends, but there are they will even & still more dear. I'll now close & request a continuance of